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Sir/Madame:

Applicant respectfully inquires as to the status of the above-identified application. The application was filed on March 24, 2004 and, to date Applicant has received no office action or other communication from the PTO on the merits of the application. The last communication received from the PTO was the NOTICE OF RECORDATION OF PUBLICATION OF APPLICATION, dated September 29, 2005. We urgently need to know the status of the U.S. application as entry into the national phase of the corresponding PCT application is due prior to September 24, 2006 (1-month ext. October 24th). Kindly advise when we can expect examination of the application.

Respectfully submitted, Attorney for Applicant

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